

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined (“___”) being added and the language that contains strikethrough (“—”) being deleted:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ A wild animal control apparatus, comprising:
an attractant configured to entice a target wild animal to consume the wild animal control apparatus;
a trigger covered by a portion of the ~~attractant~~ attractant, the trigger configured to dissolve in an ~~predetermined~~ environment having a predetermined pH; and
a subduing agent coupled to the ~~trigger~~ trigger, the subduing agent configured to subdue the wild animal that consumes the wild animal control apparatus once fluids in the digestive system of the wild animal having the predetermined pH cause the trigger to dissolve, wherein the subduing agent is activated and the wild animal is subdued.
2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein activation of subduing agent results in an ~~energy release~~ explosion within the digestive system of the wild animal sufficient to lead to the death of the wild animal.
3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 2, further comprising:
a nonreactive layer covering the subduing agent to prevent the subduing agent from activating prior the dissolving of the trigger.
4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the subduing agent is a metal that releases energy in the digestive system of the target wild animal when placed in contact with fluids in the digestive system.

5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the metal is sodium.
6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the metal is potassium.
7. (Original) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the metal is lithium.
8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the subduing agent is a chemical substance that releases energy in the digestive system of the target wild animal resulting from a chemical reaction with fluids in the digestive system.
9. – 21. (Canceled)
22. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a battery.
23. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a spring.
24. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a bullet.

25. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a blank cartridge.

26. (New) The apparatus of claim 2, wherein the explosion is caused by ignition of gunpowder.